To Whom It May Concern,

The Illinois Nurses Association is writing in support of HB-5574 HA 1, The Emergency Renter and Homeowner Protection Act. Evictions and foreclosures are a threat to public health amidst the pandemic of Covid-19. All those who live in Illinois must have proper housing so they may follow current, and future, shelter-in-place orders. Increasing the number of people without adequate housing will likely add to the number of infectious vectors in Illinois, as those affected will not have a safe place to rest and heal. The right to housing is a pillar of public health and it must be defended. The people of Illinois need assistance and we urge legislators to vote for this bill.

Thank you,

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